

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement applicant hereby elects to prosecute in this application the claims of Group II, namely, claims 9-10. Applicant hereby cancels in this application the claims of Groups I, namely, claims 5-8 and reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications claiming priority from this application for those claims.

Petition and Fee For Extension of Time

Applicants also include herewith a Petition and Fee For Extension of Time asking that the period to respond to this Action be extended to two months from the date of the mailing of the Action viz., March 30, 2004. The required fee is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 05-0877.

Respectfully submitted,

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Respectfully, Debra Rietze

Date: March 18, 2004